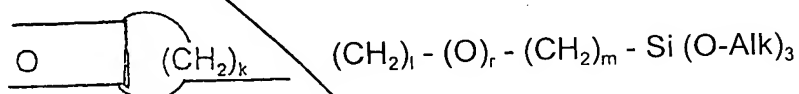


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--9 (amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1, **characterized** in that the epoxy silane has the formula



where k is an integer between 0 and 4, r is 0 or 1, l is an integer between 1 and 6, m is an integer between 1 and 6 and Alk is an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms.--

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--12. (amended) A kit, **characterized** by comprising a container A, which contains a composition according to claim 1, and a container B, which contains a hardener, whereby the container A and/or B may further contain conventional additives.--

REMARKS

The above changes in the claims merely place this national phase application in the same condition as it was during Chapter II of the international phase, with the multiple dependencies being removed.

Claims 1-12 are pending in the present application.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

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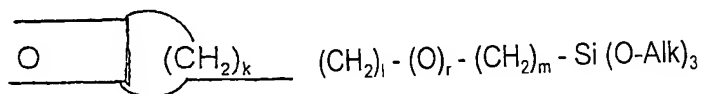
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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADEIN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

--3. (amended) A composition as claimed in claim 1 ~~or 2~~, **characterized** in that the non-aromatic epoxy resin is a branched aliphatic epoxy resin.--

--9. (amended) A composition as claimed in ~~any one of claims~~ claim 1 ~~to 8~~, **characterized** in that the epoxy silane has the formula



where k is an integer between 0 and 4, r is 0 or 1, l is an integer between 1 and 6, m is an integer between 1 and 6 and Alk is an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms.--

--12. (amended) A kit, **characterized** by comprising a container A, which contains a composition according to ~~any one of claims~~ claim 1 ~~to 11~~, and a container B, which contains a hardener, whereby the container A and/or B may further contain conventional additives.--

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ABSTRACT

A paint composition has a resin constituent which includes (i) a non-aromatic epoxy resin, (ii) a polysiloxane and (iii) an epoxysilane. The paint composition has an anti-corrosive effect.

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A paint composition comprising has a resin constituent which includes (i) a non-aromatic epoxy resin, (ii) a polysiloxane and (iii) an epoxysilane. The paint composition of the invention has an anti-corrosive effect.